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Dahlias in 1953

THE TWENTY-NINTH

# DAHLIA BOOK

GOLDEN RULE DAHLIA FARM

P. O. Box 87 — Lebanon, Ohio

**Dayton Pike** 

Tel. 853 R



THE HOME OF GOLDEN RULE DAHLIAS

#### ALL VISITORS ARE WELCOME

Visitors are always welcome at Golden Rule Farm on Ohio, Route 48, 4 miles north from Lebanon (Dayton Pike).

During a season we always have many out-of-state visitors, as well as from nearby towns. When in the vicinity of Dayton, Middletown, Hamilton or Cincinnati, make our farm one of your stops.

#### THE DAHLIA

The Dahlia is the greatest of all Flowers. They have been grown up to 18 inches in diameter and as small as one half inch. You do not have to be an expert to get this wonderful flower to produce top quality flowers. There are all colors—except blue—and all types of petal formations. Variegated colors, bi-colors and solid blend colors. No two varieties are alike and there are well over 500 being grown. You get more out of them, for your money, time and effort, than any other flower. Great strides have been made in the development of the Dahlia in the last ten years. Try some of the old favorites and a few of the new ones and you will see what we mean.

In case we are sold out of a variety we shall supply nearest variety or one equally as good or better, unless you advise otherwise.

#### **GOLDEN RULE DAHLIA STOCK**

CONSISTS OF dahlia roots and plants.

A ROOT will be a division from a dahlia field clump, guaranteed true to name with one or more eyes.

A PLANT has been grown from a dahlia rooted cutting into a large husky plant that is ready for immediate planting upon arrival. Plants will grow and bloom as quickly as roots. Also will form nice clumps when

properly grown. Plants are considerably cheaper than roots. A large percentage of our customers prefer plants to roots. They are guaranteed healthy and true to name.

#### HOW TO ORDER

It is important to order early. This will help us in reserving the stock for you. If we are out of certain varieties we will write you, unless you have advised us that substitutions will be permitted. On late orders please give SECOND CHOICE.

#### SEND CASH WITH MONEY ORDER

Make checks or money orders payable to Golden Rule Dahlia Farm. Send cash by registered mail.

Plants may be shipped from April 15th to July 15th. Please add 45c for packing and parcel post on all shipments, both roots and plants.

If you have Special Delivery service, send an additional 45c for Special Delivery on plant and rooted cutting orders, making 90c total.

If you reside in Ohio, also add 3% sales tax.

#### GUARANTEE

We guarantee all dahlia stock to be healthy and true to name. If through failure to start, or damaged in mail, we will replace immediately if notified promptly. Give the plants time to get started. The Golden Rule works both ways.

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On account of higher postage rates we will add an extra fine dahlia to each dahlia plant order.

### 1953 INTRODUCTIONS OF OTHER GROWERS

ALABASTER. FD. (Parrella) Seedling of Real Glory and a very fine creamy white.

Size 8x5 in. Very free bloomer

Plant \$7.50 Net

BETTY BLOSSOM. FD. (Ruschmohr) Medium size dahlia—8x5 in. The color is a beautiful straw yellow and Naples yellow suffused with phlox pink. On three Honor Rolls.

Plant \$7.50 Net

**BLENDETTE**—Inc. C. (Rosemary) A light blend—primrose yellow with blush tips of rose madder.  $7x3\frac{1}{2}$  in. 5 ft. bush and a profuse bloomer. On four Honor Rolls.

Plant \$5.00 Net

CROYDON'S SIGNAL. Formal. (Australia) Beautiful ox-blood red. The foliage is very dark green, heavy and of unusual formation. Size of bloom 12x8.

Plant \$5.00 Net

FLORENCE CHADWICK. St. C. (Comstock) White, with a touch of lavender late in season. Size 8x5 in. On four Honor Rolls.

Plant \$7.50 Net

GUITANO. St. C. (Ballego) A brilliant free-flowering red on fine long stems.

Plant \$1.50 Each

HOLLYWOOD STAR. ID. (Pape-Robens) A fine purple. Blooms are 12 in. with great depth. On three Honor Rolls.

Plant \$7.50 Net

JEAN WAITE. Cactus. (Ballego) A lovely purple cut-flower. Plant \$1.50 Each LEIDEN'S ATTRACTION. FD. (Ballego) A great big salmon giant. Plant \$1.00 Each LILAC DISCOVERY. SC. (Ballego) A fine lilac cut-flower. Plant \$1.50 Each

PRAIRIE FIRE. SC. (Rocky River) A large brilliant tangerine measuring 12x8 in.
On four Honor Rolls. Plant \$7.50 Net

PURPLE MAGIC. 10 in. Fine magnolia purple. (Wood). Plant \$7.50 Net

WASHINGTON BELLS. C. (Ballego) A beautiful salmon red. Plant \$.75 Net

WHITE GLAMOUR. ID. White. Size 9 to 11 inches by 6 inches. (Dahliadel)
Plant \$7.50 Net

WOODLAND NYMPH. St. C. Soft salmon pink with empire yellow center. Petals lacimated. Good for cutting. (Wood)

Plant \$5.00 Net

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

FD — Formal Decorative; ID — Informal Decorative; SC — Semi-Cactus; Str. C. — Straight Cactus; Inc. C. — Incurved Cactus; tpd. — tipped.

## OF OUTSTANDING QUALITIES

Cut Flower Dahlias and Giant Dahlias of 12 inches diameter. Tested and rated high over a number of years.

ABBOTT. Str. C. 6-7 in. Currant red. Dwarf bushes.
This is the best of the very dark red cactus. It
blooms early and holds its fine form till the very
last.

Plant \$.60

ADA N. SC. 11x6 in. Tyrian purple. Bush 5 ft. This very vigorous and early flowering dahlia is one of the best on the 1949 Honor Roll and one of the biggest.

Root \$2.00; Plant \$1.00

ALADIN. FD. 10 in. A new bi-color of first class exhibition type. Gold splashed red. This one is outstanding in all gardens. Plant \$3.00

ALCAZAR. ID. 10 in. A fine cardinal red. Bushes dwarf, early and free blooming. The reverse of the petals is shaded white. Root \$1.00

ALLEGRESSE. Str. C. 8-10 in. x 5 in. Light primrose yellow. One of the very best yellow cactus, of the greatest substance and on the longest of stems. Vigorous five foot bushes produce heavy clumps.

Root \$2.00; Plant \$.90

AMBASSADOR VAN KLEFFENS. FD. 5 in. Dwarf. Deep straw yellow, suffused jasper red. A general tone of orange. A free early bloomer on nice stems. Plant \$1.00 AMI ROUSSET. FD. 6-8 in. x 4 in. Chrysanthemum crimson. One of the most attractive shades of red.

Root \$1.20

ANNA BENEDICT. FD. 6-8 in. Oxblood red. This blackish red stands out in any garden. Has been a standard of its kind for many years. Always in demand. An early and continuous bloomer.

Root \$1.25; Plant \$.60

Straight Cactus-Str. C.





APHRODITE. ID. 5-6 in. Magenta rose, cadmium orange at base, giving a bright golden sheen. Ball shaped flowers on long stems. Blooms early. This is a cut-flower. Has great substance. Dwarf fast branching.

Root \$1.25

ARABIAN NIGHT. Str. C. 10 in. Deep violet, overlaid blue. The well formed flowers are superb for exhibition. Plant \$5.00

ARDENS. Str. C. 6-7 in. Turkey red. A good cutflower. A big clump producer.

Root \$1.00; Plant \$.60
ARISTOCRAT. Str. C. 5 in. Signal red. A bright,
early flowering, well formed bloom on a fine stem.
A good cut-flower.

Plant \$.60

ARTHUR GODFREY. FD. 13x7 in. Orient red blended with barium yellow. Low bushes with good stems holding flowers well out of foliage. On 3 Honor Rolls, It is perhaps the largest formal ever grown. Vigorous and blooms early and late.

Root \$3.00; Plant \$1.50
ATOMIQUE. Str. C. White. 5 in. This makes a nice
cut-flower of good substance on a long stem. Bush
4 ft., branching in habit. Root \$1.25

AUREOOL. Str. C. 4-6 in. Light primrose yellow. An early and profuse dahlia, on fine long stems and with great keeping qualities. All of which makes this one of the most valuable cut-flowers. Plant \$.60

AUTUMN BLAZE. ID. 12x6 in. Saturn red, outer petals tipped empire yellow. A brilliant display of red and gold of Autumn. Root \$2.00; Plant \$1.00

B. & B. FD. 11x5 in. Lavender. Alternate fine lines of white and petunia purple. Bush 5 ft. 1949 Honor Roll. A reliable dahlia. Plant \$1.00

BARBARA LEE. SC. 11x5 in. Rose pink lined with mimosa yellow. Base of petals and center of flower yellow. Bush 4 ft., with several big blooms showing at one time.

Root \$2.00; Plant \$.90

BEGONIA ROSE. FD. 6-7 in. China rose. It is extremely prolific. Centers always good and very long stems. Plant \$.75

BIG BEN. FD. 11 in. Rhodamine pink or mauve lavender.
A free blooming, big dahlia that is a general favorite. Bush dwarf. An early bloomer.

Root \$1.50; Plant \$.90
BILL JACK. SC. 10 in. Pure white. An early and good
bloomer with excellent substance and nice long
stems. Bush 4 ft., vigorous and branching.
Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

BILL'S DELIGHT. FD. 10-11 in. Canary yellow heavily overlaid toward tips with zinc orange resulting in a beautiful soft bronzy pink tone. It is early free blooming and has a very long stem. Bush 3½ ft., free branching.

BILL'S SPLENDOR. ID. 8-10 in. Fuchsine pink. A fine deep pink that produces a wealth of perfect flowers from August on till frost. Bush 4 ft. An excellent root producer. Root \$1.20

BLACK MONARCH. ID. 8-10 in. Real maroon, or the nearest to black. Bush 4 ft., with excellent stems and vigorous. A mid-season bloomer. Plant \$.90

BLONDIE. Str. C. 4-5 in. Light primrose yellow. Dwarf bushes with plenty of long stemmed flowers from early to late. Plant \$.60

BRAITH DAVIS. FD. 7 in. Dianthus (rose) purple. Bush 5-6 ft. Blooms profusely. This dahlia will fill the need of an attractive purple cut-flower. One of the favorites of our state fair displays. A pleasure to grow.

Root \$3.00; Plant \$1.50

BRIDES BOUQUET. FD. 10x5 in. Pure white. Vigorous 4 ft. bushes. Large flowers freely produced on long stems.

Root \$1.75

BROTHER JUSTINIUS. SC. 6-7 in. Peach with canary yellow center. This is one dahlia that we praise highly. It is really wonderful. The bushes are 3 ft., freely branching from the ground. It is the most prolific bloomer we know. Bushes are just covered with bloom early, midseason and late. Fine stem, good cut-flower and always flowers to cut.

Root \$1.25; Pot Root \$.90; Plant \$.60

BURG MUELE BROCK. Str. C. 6 in. Mars orange over primrose yellow, a beautiful and unusual shade. A bloom of unusual substance that lasts for two weeks on the bush in good condition. An excellent cut-flower. Dwarf to 3 ft. bushes. Fine stems.

Root \$1.00

CALIFORNIA CENTENNIAL. ID. 11x6 in. A blend of straw yellow and buff with a strawberry red blush. A prolific bloomer for a big flower. Bush 4 ft. Exceptional fine foliage. Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

CALIFORNIA PAGEANT. ID. 11x5 in. Chinese yellow lightly shaded mars orange. Reverse has lines of purple that faintly shine through. It is early and free and has produced 12 in. blooms. Bush 4 ft. Stems are excellent. Plant \$.75

CAROL FRANCIS. Str. C. 8-10 in. Amaranth rose to light persian rose, a beautiful lavender. It produces early and late, perfectly formed blooms on perfect stems. One of the best dahlias in our collection.

Root \$1.20

CAROLINE KERNOCHAN. ID. 7 in. Light primrose yellow tipped spinel red. A most popular dahlia in our fields. Bush 3 ft. with flowers produced early and freely.

Root \$1.20; Plant \$.60

CAROLINA LASSIE. Inc. C. 4-6 in. Amaranth rose shading lighter. A very fine lavender cut-flower. Root \$.90

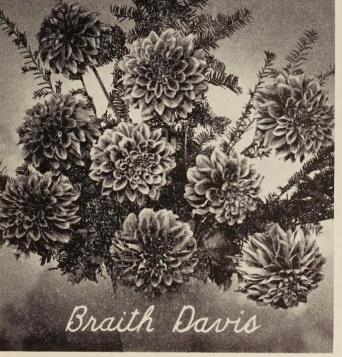
CAROLINA MOON. ID. 6-7 in. Empire (butter) yellow. This is a very attractive shade of yellow. A cut-flower dahlia of excellent substance and produced in profusion.

Plant \$1.00

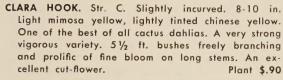
CHANDELON. SC. 6-7 in. Light carmine rose, center mimosa yellow. Bush 4 ft. One of the several good varieties out of France. An early and continuous bloomer. Excellent for cutting. Plant \$.90

CHEROKEE ROSE. FD. 6-8 in. Rhodamine purple, lighter at tips. One of the best mauve shades for cutting. Never fails to produce an abundance of fine bloom.

Root \$1.25; Plant \$.60



Formal Decorative-FD.



CLARIAM KELTON. ID. 6-10 in. Turkey red with darker shadings and with primrose yellow lines radiating from a yellow base. One of the best of all red dahlias. Fine for both exhibition and as a cut-flower. The 4 ft. bushes provide early bloom and throughout the season. Bloom is unusually attractive with wavy petals. Very prolific. Plant \$.60

CLARIAM ROYALTY. Inc. C. 10x7 in. Petunia purple with silver reverse showing on face. Long stems. Won seven achievements medals and several seed-ling sweepstakes. Root \$3.50; Plant \$1.50

CLARION. Str. Cactus. 6-7 in. Clear carmine. St. C. 6-7 in. Clear carmine. One of the most beautiful red cactus cut-flower we have grown. Most nearly perfect flowers produced early, midseason and late. Bushes are 5-6 ft., vigorous and branching. This is one of the best European varieties.

Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

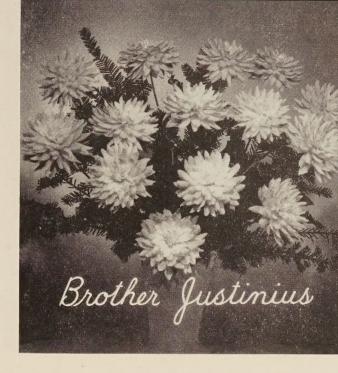
COLBERT. SC. 6-7 in. Dianthus purple. Free branching
4 ft. bushes with an abundance of bloom all season.
An excellent cut-flower with fine stems. From France.
Plant \$.60

COMMANDO. FD. 12 in. Phlox purple. A big clear, bluish lavender, a standard in color and size. Sturdy dwarf bushes produce many fine bloom from midseason on. Plant \$.60

CORONATION DAY. ID. 10-11 in. Canary yellow shaded yellow ochre. A fine big dahlia out of Europe. A seedling of Jane Cowl with a profusion of bloom substance and long stem better than its parent. As a large cut-flower it is unsurpassed. Bush 3 ft., with long canes coming up from near the ground.

CROWNING GLORY. Inc. C. 10x5 in. Rose pink, center naples yellow. This has long been a standard for exhibition. Its beauty is unsurpassed in its class.

Dwarf bushes. Mid-season bloom. Plant \$1.00



CROYDON MASTERPIECE. FD. 12 in. x 7 in. A sensational salmon orange shaded coppery tan. This novelty grows 4 ft. Strong, vigorous bushes with long stems holding the splendidly colored flowers well out from the foliage.

Plant \$1.50

CRYSTAL SURPRISE. FD-ID. 6-7 in. Bi-color. Straw yellow with stripes of currant red. Early and prolific on green branching dwarf bushes.

Root \$1.50

DAHLIAMUM. ID. 10 in. A blend of yellow ochre and canary yellow making a beautiful golden orange. The big blooms are freely produced from mid-season on. The long twisting petals present a shaggy appearance.

Root \$1.20; Plant \$.60

DANDY SNOW. SC. 8-9 in. Pure white. A very free flowering large white on extra long canes. Bush 4 ft. We welcome this variety from Australia as a new white cut-flower. Plant \$1.00

DEE CEE. ID. 12x8 in. A combination of sulphur yellow with a scarlet flush and center. Long stems. Bush 6 ft. Blooms keep well. Plant \$5.00

DELLA. FD. 5-6 in. Fuchsine pink. A fine, very early flowering, good stemmed cut flower. A true pink.

Root \$2.00; Plant \$1.00

DEEP VELVET. FD. 7-8 in. Blackish maroon. A dahlia with extra good growing habits. Well branched 3-4 ft. bushes bearing plenty of well formed flowers. Mid-season. Plant \$.60

DETROIT 250. Inc. C. 10x5 in. Red—almost dark red.
Bush medium. (Lakeside). Plant \$3.00

DORA M. ID. 6-7 in. Persian rose with lighter tones.

This is a welcome addition to the list of good cutflower dahlias. Bushes are 4-5 ft., free branching
and profuse with well formed flower on excellent
stems.

Root \$1.50

DOREEN E. Str. C. 7x4 in. Tyrian purple. An early blooming dahlia with narrow petals. Plenty of flowers too. Stems are long. Plant \$.90

DR. PAUL MORGAN. SC. 10x5 in. A soft lavender of light rosaline purple lightened by light persian rose.

Long stems. Bush 4 ft. Plant \$2.00

EDNA D. SC. 10-12x7 in. Cherry to cardinal red.

One of the very best of the reds. Several of the big flowers are produced at one time over a long blooming season. The stems are excellent. Very vigorous and fast growing 5 ft. bushes.

Root \$2.00; Plant \$1.00





ELODIE K. Str. C. Bright rose pink, lighter center. A beautiful, densely petaled bloom, on a good long stem freely produced all season.

Plant \$.60

EUPHROSYNE. Str. C. 8 in. Light mineral violet, a true lavender shade. This fine variety is out of Germany. The 5½ ft. bushes bear the flowers facing on excellent stems. Blooms keep long when cut.

Plant \$.75

EVENTIDE. 1D. 10x6 in. Violet purple. It always produces plenty of well formed flowers on excellent stems. Bush is 3½ ft., branching and vigorous. The blooms resemble large Mums.

Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

FASCINATION. ID. 6 in. Turkey red shaded over cadmium orange. A bright and deep orange color.

Bush 3 ft. and it branches from near the ground, producing long stems with finely formed flowers in profusion.

Plant \$1.50

FINESSE ANVERSOIS. Str. C. 5 in. Light primrose yellow. A densely petaled long stemmed cut-flower dahlia. The 3 ft. bushes start blooming early and literally cover themselves with finely formed blooms.

Plant \$.60

FIREGLEAM, Inc. Cactus. 6-7 in. x 4 in. A bright orange with yellow base and a long 12 in. stem. A very free bloomer early and late and one of the best keeping cut-flowers we know. This is an extraordinary dahlia.

Root \$2.00; Plant \$1.00

FIVE STAR GENERAL. FD. 10-12x7 in. Base color of canary yellow heavily lined and overlaid persian rose. For habit of growth and production of well formed large flowers, this dahlia is unexcelled by any of the big ones. The bush is 5 ft., early to bloom, free branching and continuous. Plant \$.75

FOREST RANGER. ID. 10x4 in. Chrysanthemum crimson.
This new red dahlia produced fine blooms early and in quantity over a long season. A 1949 Honor Roll Dahlia.

Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

FRANCES ARCHER. Ball. 5-6x4 in. Another true lavender. Light mineral violet. A most beautiful flower, freely produced from mid-season on. Plant \$.60

FRED SPRINGER. FD. 5-6 in. Turkey red. This is known as the hedge dahlia. Planted  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -2 ft. apart they make a solid row covered with bright red bloom. Root \$.75

FRIEDA GAYLORD. ID. 12x5 in. Rosein purple to aureolin (golden yellow) base. This is the largest of the lavender pinks. This is a good producer of perfect giant flowers. Root \$2.00; Plant \$1.00

GENERAL EISENHOWER. Inc. C. 7-8 in. Cardinal red.
The best of all red cactus dahlias. It blooms early
and is very free. Stems are extra long and if disbudded, 2-3 ft. canes may be cut. A wonderful
cut-flower. The bush is 3-4 ft., branching from
near the ground.

Plant \$1.50

GINGER ROGERS. ID. 10-12x6 in. Primrose yellow.

This is probably the best bloom producer of the large yellows. The bush is 4 ft., free branching and excellent stems.

Plant \$1.00

GLAMOUR. ID. 10-12x7 in. One of the largest purple dahlias. Overlaid and edged silver. It has long been very popular. The bushes are 4 ft., and the stems are excellent.

Root \$1.50

GOLDEN RECTITUDE. Inc. C. to SC. 7 in. Golden yellow, deeper at center. Bush 5 ft., presenting many flowers on fine stems. Plant \$1.25

GOLDEN TREASURE. FD. 6-7 in. Golden Mimosa yellow. This is early and free blooming and a good cut-flower. The bush is 4-5 ft., vigorous and well branched. Plant \$.75

GRAF FOLKE BERNADOTTE. A German SC. A beautiful, enormous white, freely produced from midseason, on fine long stems. This is one of the best new whites in a decade. The bushes are 5 ft. and vigorous growing. This one is really good.

Root \$4.00; Plant \$1.50

GRANDMOTHER'S LACE. SC. 9x6 in. Ivory white. Petals are deeply laciniated, giving the extremely deep blooms an attractive shaggy effect. This is an outstanding variety.

Root \$2.00; Plant \$1.00

GREAT LAKES. FD. 10 in. Pure white. One of the best.

It is easy to grow, blooms early and freely. The
bush is 3 ft., branching from low down. Big blooms
n excellent stems. Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

IRENE RICH. SC. 10 in. Spinel pink with lemon yellow base. Very early to bloom, the low bushes flower profusely all season. Bloom has good substance.

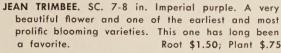
A 1949 Honor Roll Dahlia. Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

JACK FRANCIS. ID. 12x5 in. Light primrose yellow.

Vigorous bushes with cane-like stems. One of the
biggest yellows and a winner. Plant \$.90



Formal Decorative-FD.



JOY WILDEN. FD. 7 in. China Rose, a bright shade of red. Foliage is similar to burdock. It is a dwarf grower with dense bushes. This is an attractive novelty.

Root \$3.00; Plant \$1.50

KELVIN. FD. 11-12x5 in. A beautiful begonia shaded to light begonia pink. Stems are long and strong. Bushes 4 ft. with very large heavy foliage. It is a strong winner at the show Root \$1.75; Plant \$.90

KELVIN SUNRISE. SC. 6-7 in. Gold tipped garnet.

An unusual color combination. A bi-color. Bush is
4 ft. Has excellent stems and a good root maker.

Root \$1.20; Plant \$.60

KENTUCKY SPORTSMAN. ID. 9 in. Golden amber tipped white. This has long been a standard bicolor in these colors.

Plant \$.90

KENTUCKY SUN. FD. 8-9 in. Light mimosa yellow.

Bush 3 ft. Flowers are produced in profusion over a long season. A most reliable yellow.

Root \$1.20; Plant \$.60

KING DAVID. FD. 8-10x5 in. Peony purple. A fine purple that blooms early and throughout the season. 3 ft. bushes provide flowers of good substance that do not fade. Root \$1.00

KIRSTEN FLAGSTAD. ID. 10x5 in. Light Chrome yellow, shaded rose on reverse. A big flower on an extra long stem. 5 ft. bushes are vigorous, early and free blooming.

Plant \$.75

KONINGSROOM. FD. 7-9 in. Garnet lake. The most profuse of the blackish red dahlias. Starts blooming early in summer. Bushes are 3-4 ft. Stem and pose of flower are just right. Very attractive.

Plant \$.75

LAKESIDE BEAUTY. FD. 6-7x4 in. Amaranth rose shaded aureolin (golden yellow) at base, with a creamy yellow center. It has a very long stem and keeps long when cut. The most popular Florists' pink.

Root \$1.20; Plant \$.60

L. C. K. Str. C. 5 in. Amber yellow. Very early and free. One of the best cut-flowers. The 3 ft. bushes provide big clumps of roots. Root \$1.20



Incurved Cactus-Inc. C.

LILLIAS THOMPSON, FD. 10x5 in. Signal red. An unusual shade of bright red. Bushes are 3 ft., early and free and the stems are excellent.

Root \$3.00; Plant \$1.50

LOIS WALCHER. FD. 6-7 in. Indian Lake purple, tipped white. This fine bi-color seldom shows solid purple flowers. A very popular variety. 3 ft. bush. Early and continuously in bloom.

Root \$1.25; Plant \$.60
MADONNA CRUSADER. Str. C. 8 in. White with a cream base. Long wiry stems with flowers on side.
Visitors remarked about the near perfection of the flowers of this variety, freely produced from August on till frost.

Root \$5.00; Plant \$2.50

MAFFIE. SC. 10-11x4 in. Bright dark red. It is vigorous and free branching with large flowers posed well on good stems. Plant \$.75

MAHARADJA. FD. 8-10x5 in. Ruby red. Another very dark red that is extra free in bloom and an early one too. The vigorous 4 ft. bushes have dark heavy foliage and branch well.

Root \$1.50

MAGIC. SC. A most remarkable color—a mixture of pink, lilac and bronze tones. Very long stems and free flowering. Plant \$1.00

MAJESTIC. FD. 10-11x5 in. Fire red to capsicum red.

The brightest red we know. A fine large mid-season and exhibition bloom. Bushes are 4 ft., well branched.

Root \$2.50; Plant \$1.20

MARIE LAYNE. ID. 9x4 in. Mineral violet flecked or spotted wine purple. Long stems. Bush 6 ft. with broad foliage.

Plant \$5.00

MARIKA ROCK. SC. 6 in. Wine colored tinted blue. This is a very fine long stemmed cut-flower. The bushes are 5 ft. have excellent vigor, free branching with plenty of really fine blossoms. Plant \$2.00

MARILYN DALE. SC. 10-11x5 in. Light persian rose.

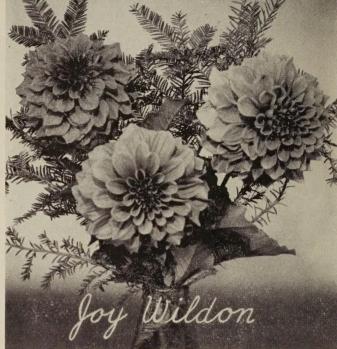
A general tone of lavender. Stems are good and long. Bush 5 ft., with heavy foliage and vigorous in growth.

Plant \$1.00

MARION GLENN. Cactus 6x3 in. Dianthus purple. Another fine long stemmed cut-flower. This is probably one of the best of the 1952 introductions. Strang growing 5 ft. bushes and a tremendous producer of flowers early and late. A joy to grow.

Root \$5.00; Plant \$2.50





Formal Decorative-FD.

MARSHALL KERNOCHAN. FD. Ball. 5 in. Cardinal red. This old variety is a useful cut-flower, with its fine stem and early and reliable bloom.

Root \$1.00
MARY CHURCHILL. Anemone. 5 in. Cardinal red.
Red cushion tipped gold. Early and free flowering
and a good cut-flower.
Plant \$.60

MERRY SUNSHINE. FD. 5-6 in. Light primrose yellow.

Dwarf bush with fine stems. One of the earliest and most profuse of the yellows.

Plant \$.75

MICHAEL BLACK. ID. 10x5 in. Garnet lake, a deep reddish purple. A very vigorous dahlia that blooms well, starting in August. Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

MICHIGAN ORCHID. FD. 8-9 in. Clear mauve. This one of the best deep lavenders. It starts blooming early and keeps it up till frost, furnishing many long stemmed perfect flowers. Plant \$.75

MLLE C. PAYEN. Str. C. 7-8x5 in. Light Phlox purple, one of the finest lavenders. Stems are long and the 3 ft. bushes produce many blooms of great perfection.

Root \$1.50

MISS MYRTLE BEACH. Str. C. 8-10 in. Clear light marigold orange. Flower of good form and of good substance. It is an early, free bloomer and a fine flower.

Plant \$.75

MISS VOHLAND. Informal to S.C. A very large rich orange. Good stem and strong grower.

Root \$5.00; Plant \$2.50

MOEDER TOEBAERT. SC. Lavender pink. A good bloomer on fine stems. One of the good ones out of Europe. Plant \$.75

MME E. SAWYER. Str. C. 6-7 in. Persian rose. One of the most beautiful and perfectly formed cactus bloom. The stems are most excellent.

Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

MONY. FD. 7 in. Mauve tipped white. This is the most uniform bi-color we have.

Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

M. P. SAVANAUD. Str. C. 5-7 in. Cherry red, base aureolin yellow, light reverse showing at tips of laciniated florets. Flowers are heavily petaled. In beauty this cactus is out of this world. It is a good root maker. Root \$2.00; Plant \$.90

MRS. ALBIN. FD. 6-7 in. Primrose yellow with lighter shadings. 5-6 ft. bushes, strong growing and free branching. For years we have used this as a Florists' yellow. Plant \$.60

MRS. HESTER PAPE. ID. 10x5 in. Garnet lake purple. The fine blooms are unfailingly produced on nice stems. The well branched big bushes are 5 ft. This has a good record as a show winner.

Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75
NAGEL'S SENSATION. Str. C. 7-9x4 in. Light camellia
rose, base empire yellow. Plenty of very long
stemmed flowers are produced the entire season.
A good cut-flower. Root \$1.50

NANCY ANN MITCHELL. Inc. C. 6-7 in. Currant red.
One of the best of the native cactus dahlias.
Flowers on best of stems are produced freely on
3 ft. bushes, well branched. A good cut-flower.
Plant \$.75

NAY AUG. SC. 7x4 in. French rose, a beautiful shrimp pink. Fine stems. Bush 4 ft. This is a perfectly formed star shaped flower that has won numerous prizes in its class.

Plant \$1.50

OAKLEIGH CHAMPION. Inc. C. 8-10x4 in. Straw yellow heavily overlaid with rhodamine pink. This is one of the largest and best of the cactus dahlias. The finely formed flowers are produced early, continuously and freely on long stems.

Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

OAKLEIGH MONARCH. FD. 7-9x4 in. Cherry red.

One of the best red dahlias. Early and continuous.

Bush is 4 ft. and nearly perfect in growth.

OTILIE ZOUREK. ID. 9x5 in. Pure white with slight creaminess at center. Bush 6 ft., robust, early and free flowering. Good growing habits and with heavy foliage.

Root \$1.00; Plant \$.50

PAMIERS. ID. 6-7 in. A new shade of garnet lake, strongly shaded blue. A most beautiful red. The vigorous 4 ft. bushes produce freely and early and the bloom keeps well when cut. Stems are good. A good Florists' red. Root \$2.00; Plant \$.90

PATRICIA SPOLLEN. Inc. Cactus. 10 in. Apricot suffused saturn red. This dahlia may also be considered one of the best of the 1952 introductions. At all times during the season there was fine big bloom to be cut and exhibited. Plant \$2.50

PEGGY J. St. C. Medium size flower. Delicately suffused lilac to light lavender with white center. Petals are tightly rolled and lacinated at the tips. Plant \$2.00





PERMANENT WAVE. ID. 9-10x5 in. Fuschia Purple. Strong growing and early blooming. Bush 5 ft. Root \$2.00; Plant \$1.00

PINWHEEL. Inc. C. 8-10x5 in. A blend of mallow purple and buttercup yellow with solid yellow at base. This variety provides more big cactus blooms than any other. It shows closed centers to the very last day of the season. Root \$2.00; Plant \$.90

PIRATE TREASURE. ID. 10-11 in. A rich autumn shade heavily shaded red. This was the earliest bloomer and biggest producer of any large dahlia. The blooms are on long strong canes, high above the foliage.

Plant \$2.50

PRINCESS DIANNE. ID. 9x6 in. Turkey red, darker oxblood red at cenfer. It has broad petals, slightly laciniated with just enough curl. Strong grower and prolific bloomer on long stems. Good for exhibition and cutting.

Root \$3.00; Plant \$1.50

PURPLE TRIUMPH. FD. 10x6 in. Doge purple. An early and steady bloomer on excellent stems. This is perhaps the most beautiful purple dahlia.

Plant \$.90

OUINN'S TIDAL WAVE. FD. 10-15 in. This is the very big strong growing yellow we have been waiting for. It is one of the best big yellows. Blooms are on long strong heavy canes and well above the foliage.

Plant \$2.50

REES' MIDNIGHT. FD. 7x4 in. Dark Maroon on very long, up to 24 in. stems. The best. Root \$1.50

REV. PUGH. FD. 10x6 in. Scarlet with a mars orange tint, a bright glowing color. A strong growing variety that blooms early and well all season. Plant \$.90

ROBERT WEHR. 6-7 in. Mars orange, yellow base.
This has proved to be a valuable Florists' flower.
It is extremely free blooming and when disbudded long canes may be cut.
Plant \$.90

RONDKOP. Ball. 4 in. Primrose yellow with spinel pink tips. A very attractive bloom. Dwarf bushes, very prolific. Plant \$.60

RONNIE LEE. SC. 10x7 in. Burnt orange over primrose yellow, an extremely bright and glowing color. Bushes 5 ft., openly branching and vigorous. Stems are long. This is one of our very best.

Root \$1.50

ROSALEE GORDON. FD. 10x5 in. A vigorous grower and root maker. Color is a fine cyclamen pink, deepening at center. Root \$2.50; Plant \$1.20

ROSE RED. FD. 7-8x4 in. Currant to rose red. The flowers on extra long stems have excellent substance. Early and free. Bush 4 ft., well branched.

Root \$1.50

RUDOLPH MOTZNIK, ID. 9-11 in. Rhodamine pink.
Do you remember the dahlia Kathleen Norris? This
one is the same type and color but much bigger.
Strong branching 4 ft. bushes and fine long stems.
Midseason bloom. Shows some single flowers.

Plant \$.90

SABINE. Inc. C. 5 in. Porcelain rose to maize yellow base. This is another unusually bright and attractive color in a valuable cut-flower dahlia.

Plant \$.60

SAINTE CECILE. Str. C. An excellent white cactus and a good cut-flower. It is profuse and has an excellent long stem. Dwarf. Plant \$.75

SANTA CLAUS. FD. 7 in. Scarlet, white and yellow.

An unusual tri-color. Plant \$.75

SATANS' DISCIPLE. FD. 8-10x6 in. Jasper red. A brilliant big bloom, held well above the foliage on excellent stems. Plant \$.90

SHERWOOD'S PEACH. ID. 12x7 in Ochreceous orange.
The flowers have great depth and are best for exhibition.

Root \$1.50

SOUTHERN THOROBRED. SC. 8-11x6 in. Roseine purple. A most prolific bloomer with long stems. Bush 5 ft., openly branching and vigorous.

Plant \$.75

SOUVENIR MME. J. LANVIN. SC. 6x4 in. Persian rose, deeper center. Extreme in beauty and prolific over a long season. Blooms are very good keepers when cut.

Plant \$.60

SPECIAL AWARD. SC. 11x6 in. Tangerine orange.
Won largest bloom award East Liverpool. A fine
big dahlia. Bush 6 ft.
Plant \$3.00

STARAZE. SC-ID. 9x6 in. Light primrose yellow. An early bloomer on long stems. Bush 3 ft., well branched. 1949 Honor Roll. Root \$2.00; Plant \$.90

STARDUST. ID. 8x5 in. Amaranth rose shading lighter. A beautiful pink showing light lines lengthwise of petals. Bush 3 ft., with excellent stems.

Root \$2.00; Plant \$1.00



Incurved Cactus-Inc. C.

STELLAETTE. FD. 10x5 in. Indian lake, a fine deep red. Stems are good and long and the 5 ft. bushes show several big flowers at a time.

Root \$1.50

SUPREME COMMAND, FD. 10x5 in. Turkey to orient red. The well formed bloom is on a long stem. Bush 5 ft., with very broad heavy foliage. Plant \$.75

THE CARDINAL. SC. 8-10x5 in. Blood red. Strong growing 5 ft. bushes produce many fine flowers. Mid-season. Most excellent stems.

Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

THE REAL GLORY. FD. 10x5 in. Pure white. Bush 5-6 ft., with long stems. This is perhaps the most reliable large white and has been for several years. Mid-season. Plant \$.75

THE VOLUNTEER. ID. 10x6 in. Peony purple flushed pansy purple. A vigorous grower on 5 ft. bushes and a prolific bloomer. Keeps its color well in the Root \$3.00; Plant \$1.50 sun.

TOP FLIGHT. SC. 10x6 in. Vermilion. A beautiful bright scarlet shade. Flowers at mid-season are of perfect form on long stems. Bush 4 ft.

**Plant \$.75** 

TORERO. Str. C. to SC. 6-7 in. Turkey red. Reverse primrose yellow. The many petaloids in between the petals are primrose yellow. Excellent substance. Bushes 3 ft., early and free blooming.

Root \$1.50

VERMONT GILLIAN. Str. C. 7 in. Bush 4 ft. Rich deep chrome gold on a long stem. Very fine.

Root \$1.25

WOODLAND PEACH. SC. 6x4 in. Blend of canary yellow and begonia pink. Good wiry stems. Profuse and of good substance. Root \$5.00; Plant \$3.00

WINDLASSIE, ID. 8x5 in. The clearest of whites. The fine bloom is nearly ball shaped. A good bloomer on 4 ft. bushes. Root \$1.50; Plant \$.75

ZERO. FD. White with faint touch of lavender in center 8x4 in. Bush 6 ft. Strong growing. Flowers of excellent substance. (Rocky River).

Root \$3.00; Plant \$1.50

#### MINIATURE DAHLIAS

(diameter under 4 inches.)

ANDRIES BONUM. SC. Heliotrope purple. Root \$.75

ANDRIES ORANGE, SC. Tangerine orange.

ANJERDRIES. FD. 5 in. Pure white. This dahlia from Holland attracted much attention by its profusion of bloom and fine stems. Root \$1.00

ANNA MARIA. FD. Clear bright orange. A new one from Italy. Makes a brighter spot in your garden. Plant \$.60

BO-BO. FD. Chinese yellow and Saturn pink. Root \$.75

BUDDY. FD. Oxblood red. Covered with bloom.

CHEERIO. SC. Cherry red, tipped white. Root \$.75

Root \$.75 FAIRY. FD. Golden pink.

HAZEL HARPER. Min. Str. C. Rhodamine pink, lighter at center. Certified at all five trial grounds

Plant \$.75

**Plant \$.50** 

LITTLE SHEIK. SC. Rose red, white center stripe. Plant \$.50

MARJOLYN. FD. Fuchsine pink. Very bright. Root \$.50

MYALL BRONZE. ID. Primrose yellow and apricot. Root \$.50

NELLIE SHEE, FD. Pastel lilac. (Lavender). Root \$.75; Plant \$.50

NICKY, FD. Rose pink.

RED ROONEY. ID. Orient red. Very unusual. Plant \$.60

RUBY CHARM, Miniature. Str. C. Deep rich ruby red. Plants are tall and profuse and blooms keep well Root \$2.00; Plant \$1.00 when cut.

SNOW BABY, FD. Pure white. Root \$.75

TOKEN, Str. C. Cerise, New, Root \$.75

WHITE FAWN, ID. White. Root \$.75

YELLOW KITTEN. FD. Light primrose yellow.

Root \$.75; Plant \$.50







#### **POMPON DAHLIAS**

(not more than 2 in. diameter, ballshaped and quilled.)

ANTIENTJE. (Holland) Deep yellow edged scarlet.
Plant \$.75

JONESY. A small exhibition pompom of lavender pink.

Very fine form.

Plant \$1.00

PICK-UP.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. Light primrose yellow. Plant \$.50

RHONDA, Lilac. Very fine. Plant \$.60

SONJA. (Holland) White, delicately edged lilac. Plant \$.75

ZONNEGOUD. (Holland) Apricot, with chrome center.
Plant \$.75

#### OHIO VALLEY DAHLIA ASSOCIATION

Has its headquarters in Cincinnati. If you can attend its monthly meetings it will repay you. Send \$1.00 dues to us and we will attend to your enrollment.

#### JOIN THE AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY

Has its headquarters in New York City. Dues are \$3.00 which includes the Quarterly Bulletin, a fund of information about Dahlias. We will, if you desire, forward your dues to the secretary.

#### SEND CASH WITH ORDER

Make checks or money orders payable to Golden Rule Dahlia Farm. Send cash by registered mail.

#### PARCEL POST SHIPMENTS

Plants may be shipped from April 15th to July 15th. Please add 45c for packing and parcel post on all shipments, both roots and plants.

If you have Special Delivery service, send an additional 45c for Special Delivery on plant and rooted cutting orders, making 90c total.

If you reside in Ohio, also add 3% sales tax.

To compensate for higher postage rates we will add an extra fine Dahlia to each Dahlia Plant Order.

#### **BEGINNERS COLLECTION**

1 root Allegresse

1 root Braith Davis

1 root Brides Bouquet

1 root Brother Justinius

1 root Cherokee Rose

1 root Edna D.

All for \$7.80 — \$11.70 value

#### THE CREAM OF 1952

1 root Clarion

1 root Firegleam

1 root Madonna Crusader

1 root Joy Wildon

1 root Marion Glenn

All for \$11.00 — \$15.50 value

#### OLD FAVORITE COLLECTION

1 root Braith Davis

1 root Brides Bouquet

1 root Coronation Day

1 root Kelvin

1 root Rose Red

All for \$5.20 — \$7.75 value

#### CACTUS de LUX COLLECTION

1 root Allegresse

1 root Clarion

1 root Marion Glenn

1 root Irene Rich 1 root M. P. Savanaud

1 root Oakleigh Champion

All for \$8.00 - \$12.50 value

#### LARGE FORMAL COLLECTION

1 root Arthur Godfrey

1 root Bill's Delight

1 root Braith Davis

1 root Great Lakes

1 root Lillias Thompson

1 root Maharadja

All for \$10.00 - \$15.50 value

#### LARGE INFORMAL COLLECTION

1 root Autumn Blaze

1 root Dahliamum

1 root Glamour

1 root Maharadia (Formal)

1 root The Volunteer

1 root Windlassie

All for \$7.00 - \$10.70 value

#### SPECIAL ON THESE FINE DAHLIA VARIETIES

Roots only; \$.75 each, 12 for \$7.50

BUCKEYE CORAL. FD. 7 in. Attractive Coral pink.

CALIFORNIA IDOL, ID. 10x6 in. Giant light primrose yellow.

CASPER LUDWIG. Str. C. 6 in. Cherry red.

CONFUCIUS. ID. 10 in. A soft brick red.

EDGAR GUEST, SC. 8x9 in. Light primrose yellow.

FERNIE'S TRUMPH. Str. C. 10x6 in. Brightest of scarlet shades.

IMPOSANT. ID. 10 in. A very bright orange.

KING PETER. FD. 6x7 in. Light persian rose with white center.

LOVELY JEWELL. Str. C. 6 in. Delicate Orient pink.

MRS. KLINE. ID. 6x7 in. Primrose yellow with light shadings.

MT. OF BLESSINGS. Str. C. 7x8 in. Light primrose yellow tinted lavender.

ONE HUNDRED PERCENT. FD. 10x5 in. Phlox pink.

PINK BOUNTY. ID. 8x10x5 in. Rose, heavily overlaid on canary yellow.

PYGMALION. Inc. C. 7x9 in. Amber yellow tinted orange buff.

ROCKLEY DAZZLER. SC. 5 in. Current to orient red.

ROI de la TRIBU. ID. 10x6 in. Blackish red.

SAINT NICK. FD. 6x5 in. Scarlet-tipped white.

SHONE HELENA. Str. C. 8x9 in. Yellow to almost white at tips.

SILVER METEOR. FD. 8x10x5 in. Phlox purple over silver.

SO BIG. ID. 12x6 in. Amarant rose with lighter shadings.

SOUV. de PARIS. FD. 8x5 in. Petunia purple.

SUNBURST. FD. 12x6. Mimosa ylelow.

TRAJECTUM. Str. C. 8x7 in. Cobalt violet, a fine lilac shade.

YELLOW SPECIAL. Str. C. 6x7 in. Primrose yellow.

#### MINIATURE COLLECTION

One root each of: Andries Orange, Yellow Kitten, White Faun, Ike—Red, Fairy—pink, Bobo—gold and

Six different miniatures labeled for \$2.40 postpaid.

#### **GRAB-BAG COLLECTION**

We have always listed this "Grab-Bag" and if you are not interested in names, it is a good buy as many letters received indicate. Large Flowered dahlias from our mixed bin, unlabeled.

12 roots postpaid \$4.00



BEGONIA ROSE

#### DIGGING AND STORING OF ROOTS

After killing frost, the tops need not be cut off. Leave roots in the ground as long as there is no danger of freezing. Look out for November cold wayes.

After digging, store immediately without special drying. Pack in peat moss, shaving, sawdust, sand or vermiculite etc. If you have a method of storing that works, stick to it.

Examine roots two or three times during the winter and if necessary to prevent shrivelling, add moisture. In the spring sprout roots if necessary, by planting in soil in a warm place. Separate, one sprout to a division, by splitting the stem and crown according to the sprouts.

INSECTS. Control of insects is important. DDT has helped greatly in overcoming these pests. Dust once a week in the evening when air is still with 2% to 5% DDT. We have found that DDT takes care of the sucking and chewing insects that are so harmful to the Dahlia. If red spider shows up, we suggest washing the underside leaves of the plant with a strong spray of cold water. Parathion is the answer to control of red spider, but as yet it is not in general use.

DISBUDDING. To get the best flowers on long stems, it is advisable to disbud. You can pinch out the tops of dahlia plants after the third set of leaves appear, or you can wait for the crown bud to appear. Pinch two of the smaller buds from this crown bud. Likewise pinch side laterals two joints from the top bud. If the former method of pinching center of plant is used, you may disbud each of the four laterals which will appear. Leaving top main center bud on each lateral, pinching all others two joints down.

#### CULTURAL DIRECTIONS

**SOIL PREPARATION.** Dahlias are not fussy about soil, providing it is deeply cultivated and well drained with plenty of humus.

TIME TO PLANT. The proper time to plant for best results is May 15th. For exhibition, we advise June 1st to 10th in the Ohio Valley. You have until July 1st for good results.

HOW TO PLANT. Select a sunny location. They will not grow in deep shade. Drive a good strong stake down for each dahlia, and have them 3 ft. apart. At each stake mix in one handful of bone meal or any well recommended fertilizer. Place the root in a horizontal position 4 to 6 inches deep. You may now fill in level over root or leave a slight depression which may be filled in as the dahlia grows. If you are planting green plants soak in shallow water for a few minutes in order to freshen them after their journey thru the mail. Plant the roots of the plant about 4 inches deep leaving a slight depression to be filled in as plant grows. Water well and if it is hot sun on the day you plant, protect them thru the heat of the day.

CULTIVATION. Keep the soil well cultivated throughout the season—but very shallow. Just scrape off the top, getting the weeds, but not disturbing the tender feeding roots that are very close to the surface. Unless weather is very dry, dahlias will need little watering until the buds appear. If it is dry, give them a good heavy soaking once a week. Don't water them a little every night. When the plants are about one foot high, sprinkle any good commercial fertilizer high in potash and phosphate, about a foot away from the plant and gently rake it in.

Detailed cultural instructions will be sent with each order.

## LARGE HARDY DECORATIVE CHRYSANTHEMUMS

Prices for well grown Chrysanthemum plants—Plants \$ .50 each; 3 of one variety for \$1.20; 12 of one variety for \$4.50.

ALERT. An exceptionally fine large, early, dark purple. We think this is very fine. Sept. 20.

ALEX CUMMING. D. 4 in. Rich pure cerise, softening to a clean rose. The fine blooms incurve at center. Strong  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ft. plants, nice long stems for cutting. Oct.

APRICOT SPOON. A pleasingly different frost-resistant spoon with tubes of apricot-bronze and spoons of apricot-rose. Sept. 19.

AZTEC GOLD. Large, frost resistant clear lemon yellow.
A splendid new yellow. Oct.

BEACON. D. 4 in. Coral-apricot, center shading to nasturtium-orange. Oct.

BETTY. SD. 3 in. Splendid up-right rose-pink. Large wide petal flowers. Sept. 28.

CARNIVAL. D. 3 in. A large, gleaming burnt orange. Oct. 10.

CECELIA. D. Mounds of soft deep peony-purple flowers. A sturdy upright plant with cushion habit. Sept.

CECIL BEED. D. A splendid early fully double deep lavender pink. A very dependable and free flowering mum. Sept.

CHAS. NYE. D. 3 in. The easiest yellow to sell in our fields. Clusters of large fully double flowers of buttercup yellow. Sept. 28.

DAWN ROSE. D. 3 in. Grenadine pink on salmon. Free growth. Upright full flowered branches. The best of the pastel colors. Oct. 5.

FASCINATION. D. 4 in. Silvery lavender pink shading to soft white. Long stems on 2 ft. bushes. Sept.

FLAXEN BEAUTY. D. English type. It's like a 4 in. cactus dahlia. A blend of peach, yellow and coral with gold center. A strong spreading bush. Oct. 1.

GLOWING COALS. This is the best of the very early, fully double. Deep cherry red, aging lighter.

GOLDEN HOURS. D. An early and popular deep lemon-Chrome. Sept.

GOLDEN SALMON, D. Fine golden bronze shade. Very hardy.

HOLIDAY. D. A new bright golden bronze that will grow 4 in. Domed center. Has a perfect habit of growth and is very hardy. Sept.

**HUNTSMAN.** D. Vivid scarlet-orange overlaid Bronze. Oct.

LEE POWELL. D. Fine large flowers of Chinese yellow to orange yellow and very prolific. The mum of the year.

MAGNIFICENT. D. Big 4 in. flowers of plum red to cardinal with a coppery sheen. Oct.

MALINDA BROWN. D. A free flowering incurved rose-pink. Late Sept.

MARY HARRISON. SD. The most outstanding bright aster purple, lightening to phlox purple. Late Sept.

MEDITATION. Fully double, 3 in. A firm two-toned flower of soft light jasper red and maize yellow with orange reverse. Oct. 6.

MING. D. Clear Chinese yellow to tangerine orange. Flower has firm texture and resembles a glorified calendula. Sept.

MOONBEAMS. D. A fluffy soft primrose yellow. A very fine improved yellow. Oct. 1.

MYRTLE WALGREN. D. Rich amaranth purple, underlaid silvery lilac, aging to clear purple. Late Sept.

ORCHID HELEN. A sturdy orchid-pink of unusual beauty. Very fine. Sept. 10.

PATRICIA LEHMAN. A sparkling geranium-pink with peach center. Recurved and twisted petals give fluffy feathery effect. Good strong grower. Sept. 28.

PEACH SPOON. Lively peach-colored spoons with Chinese-yellow tubes, aging to pinkish peach. A very large flower, outstandingly different. Oct. 8.

PINK OPAL. D. Pale persian rose overlaid with cream and pale green tints toward center. Sept.

REMEMBRANCE. This is a deep ruby-carmine color that is retained for the life of the flower. In our estimation it is the finest red produced to date. Sept. 27.

ROSEDUST. D. Immense bright cherry red. Bush growth. Excellent for cutting. Late Sept.

ROUGE CUSHION. SD. A new beautiful brilliant bright red early cushion. Sept.

ROYAL ROBE. D. Beetroot purple with bluish sheen. Masses of bloom. Sept.

RUTHANN LEHMAN. D. Immense canary yellow, somewhat cushion. Sept.

SHALIMAR. D. A fast-colored cream white, sulphur yellow center. Late Sept.

SPINDRIFT. D. 3 in. White. Decorative with a hint of cactus. A fine white mum. Oct.

TRIBUTE. D. Bright Daphne-red maturing to pink. Sept.

WINTERSET. D. 4 in. We believe this to be the best white. Large flowers soon loose their cream centers becoming large shaggy snow white blooms. Oct. 2.

YELLOW BLANKET. D. 1 in. A very free flowering mum with lovely clear yellow button flowers. Name describes it perfectly. Good cut flower. Oct. 10.

YELLOW SPOON. S. D. 2½ in. Very fine bright clear golden yellow. The most outstanding of the spoon varieties. Oct. 8.

#### THE G. R. SURPRISE COLLECTION

There has been such a demand for this fine collection of Mums that we are again offering it. If you do not care about the names of your Hardy Chrysanthemums, but just want to grow them for a gorgeous display and for cutting, you can save money by ordering this. It includes every color and type. All are first quality, sure to bloom plants, but have no names on them. Just a little money and you have a big Mum garden.

10 for \$2.20; 25 for \$5.25; 100 for \$20.00

#### PLANT MUMS

May 15th to June 15th. Plant in rows, beds or in borders about 18 inches apart. They require very little care. A handful of bonemeal or well recommended fertilizer to each plant mixed well with the soil at planting time; then again on top, raked in, at budding time.

They will produce a beautiful display of flowers over a satisfactory period of weeks during the early or late Autumn. For still greater profusion of bloom, pinch out the tender tip of each plant in June; again pinch out about the 15th of July, this time several or many tender tips. Most of the large varieties, can by disbudding, be made to produce much more beautiful and much larger flowers, some as large as four to five inches.

#### TALL BEARDED IRIS FOR 1953

The following list of Iris is from "the finest Iris garden east of the Mississippi." Mr. D. Paul Wickersham, Urbana, Ohio, an outstanding authority on Iris, selects his best each year and we add it to our collection for you to choose from. He grows thousands of seedlings and only the best of standards. When he says an Iris is good, you may depend on it.

AMIGO. Suggests purple pansies. Standards are a LADY BOSCAWEN. This is a lovely white, strong and clear light violet-blue. Falls intense violet-purple, firm. A real beauty. 40 in. \$1.50 Each LAMPLIGHT. This flower posseses lots of style. A edged the color of standards. Very reliable. Midseason. 30 in. \$.50 Each sprightly flesh-buff with a lamplight glow. 34 in. ANITRA. Goodsize and beautiful form. Pearly to silvery \$.75 Each sky-blue. \$.50 Each MAGNICA. A refreshing salmon, pink tinted. Great BAND MASTER. Tall, large, pleasing powder blue. substance. \$.50 Each MASTER CHARLES. A glowing mulberry purple. A most Immense flowers, well branched. Vigorous grower with broad deep green foliage. Mid-season. 38 in. brilliant and distinctive Iris. 36 in. \$.75 Each \$1.00 Each MELANIE. A stately shimmering light orchid-pink-BERKELEY GOLD. This is one of the finest rich deep almost true pink. Highly recommended. \$.50 Each yellows. It is a wonderful color, good form and MELITZA. Soft ivory flesh, with falls slightly deeper. splendid stalk. Mid-season. 36 in. \$.75 Each 38 in. \$.50 Each BLACK BANNER. This intensely colored near black iris MIDWEST GEM. This attracts much attention—a lumiis very popular. Good branching and grows well nous peach-buff and mother of pearl flushed pink. everywhere. Late. 3 ft. \$1.00 Each Very fine. 36 in. \$.50 Each BLUE ELEGANCE. This is a beautiful iris. The standards MIOBELLE. A lustrous rose self. 38 in. \$.75 Each are a clear chicory blue and the falls are a deeper MISSOURI. A clear rich shade of medium blue. One tone. The general effect is a medium steel blue. of the very best. 37 in. \$.50 Each 40 in. \$4.00 Each BLUE SHIMMER. An entirely different plicata. Clean, MORNING BLUE. This is a massive, lovely blue self sparkling white with an all-over pattern of clear and we recommend it highly. 40 in. \$3.50 Each blue stippling. The most outstanding of the past MULBERRY ROSE. A self of radiant, lovely mulberryfew seasons. Mid-season. 39 in. \$1.00 Each rose. An imposing Iris. 40 in. \$.75 Each BRYCE CANYON. A distinct and warm shade of henna-OLA KALA. One of the best of the deep yellowscopper, self colored. Very fine. Mid-season. 36 in. almost orange. Fine. 38 in. \$1.00 Each \$1.00 Each ORCHID LADY. A clear orchid, with slight blue shading CHANTILLY. A distinct novelty, with lovely ruffled and faint undertone of brown. Has great substance. flowers of lavender flushed with gold. 36 in. \$.50 Each 36 in. \$1.50 Each OVERTURE. This is considered to be one of the best CHERIE, A lovely new flamingo pink, Large and graceof the light pinks. \$.50 Each fully ruffled. A real pink and fine garden iris. 34 in. \$9.00 Each PINK CAMEO. An exquisite fresh pure pink. The out-CHINA MAID. A soft mellow pink, self enhanced by standing qualities are the pinkness, smoothness, an intriguing blending of golden buff. 36 in. purity of tone and melting softness of color. A \$.75 Each very lovely Iris. 36 in. \$1.50 Each COOL LEMONADE. A very fine clear lemon yellow PINK LACE. This is a descendant of Iris Flora Zenor self color, even to the beard. Blooms early. \$1.50 Each and very nice. 36 in. \$1.50 Each PINK OPAL. A beautiful opal pink. \$.50 Each DISTANCE. A cool translucent light blue with a silvery PRISCILLA. A very lovely absolutely pure white. cast. 36 in. \$1.50 Each \$.75 Each FLORA ZENOR. A melting cameo-pink. Often said to RED RAY. This is as near pure red as Iris comes. be "like the foam on a strawberry soda". Not large, \$.50 Each \$.50 Each but very good. 40 in. SNOW FLURRY. A large beautifully ruffled icy white. GOLDEN FLEECE. A big golden yellow with creamy 4 ft. \$1.00 Each falls. Very reliable. 40 in. \$.75 Each SONRISA. Coppery pink with a yellow undertone. 38 in. GOLD RUFFLES. Medium yellow with a few deeply \$1.00 Each colored lines near the haft. Ruffled and fluted. SUNNY RUFFLES. A strong growing yellow. Very reliable. Over 3 ft. tall. \$1.50 Each \$.50 Each GRACE BALLARD. Rosy pink with some yellow in its THE ADMIRAL. An intense deep blue and as stately make-up. Very nice. \$.50 Each \$.75 Each as the admiral himself. 36 in. GREAT LAKES. A clear blue self. This is a broadly THREE CHEERS. A brilliant sharply contrasting blue spreading regal type flower. Rugged and hardy. \$1.50 Each bi-color. 38 in. \$.75 Each 40 in. VATICAN PURPLE. Rich and majestic describes it per-HARRIET THOREAU. An orchid pink self with great \$1.50 Each style and individuality. 38 in. \$.75 Each fectly. 38 in. WABASH. This is the best and one of the very few JASMINE. A smooth golden yellow—beard is almost true amoenas. Fresh toned as an orchid with snowy same color. 38 in. \$1.00 Each white standards. 36 in. \$.50 Each KENTUCKY BEAUTY. A fine rose bi-color with a smart

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flare to the falls. 38 in.

YEN. A favorite rose pink.

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